

To-day's
Advertisements.IN THE SUPREME COURT OF
HONGKONG.

NOTICE.

THE Court will sit in SUMMARY JURISDICTION on THURSDAY, the 9th instant, at 10 A.M., instead of FRIDAY, the 10th instant.

Dated the 7th day of February, 1899.

By the Court, A. SETH, Acting Registrar.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1899. [188a]

BIJOU THEATRE.

RECLAMATION GROUND, PRAYA, WEST.

LAST NIGHTS: LAST NIGHTS!!

"ROBINSON CRUSOE."

TO-NIGHT

Eleventh Appearance of

WORLD-FAMED MARIONETTES.

The World's Premier Purveyors of Music, Mirth and Minstrelsy.

Pronounced alike by Press and Public to be the "most marvellously clever" show that has ever visited the Far East.

REMEMBER

FRIDAY, 10th Feb. 3—SHOWS—2
and SATURDAY, 11th Feb. 4—NIGHT—1 at 9

PRICES AS USUAL.

Special Seats for Chinese Ladies only, \$1 & 50 cents.

PLAN at ROBINSON'S PIANO CO.

Look out for the

"SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR."

Hongkong, 7th February, 1899. [118a]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"CHARTERHOUSE."

Captain H. J. Smith, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1899. [186a]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"GUTHRIE."

Captain McArthur, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 7th instant, at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

M.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA, are available for return by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1899. [152a]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TRIESTE."

Captain A. Mili, will leave for the above places on TUESDAY, the 14th instant, P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1899. [189a]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"PATROCLUS."

Captain Dickens, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 15th instant, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1899. [187a]

Auction.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions from

MR. ARTHUR ANDERSON

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

at his SALIS ROOMS, Zealand Street, No. 2,

TO-MORROW

(WEDNESDAY), the 8th February, 1899,

Commencing at 2.30 P.M.

A LARGE QUANTITY OF

USEFUL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Removed from the Peak for Convenience.

Comprising—

SOPHAS and COUCHES, EASY CHAIRS,

VIENNA CHAIRS, RATTAN FURNITURE,

GARDEN TABLES, SIDETABLES,

WASHING DESKS, TOILET TABLES,

WARDROBES, large and small TEAKWOOD,

WARDROBES, BOOKCASES, SIDE

BOARDS, WHATNOTS, COOKING

RANGES, CUTLERY, CURTAINS, GLASS

WARE, PICTURES, BATHTUBS, and

BATHROOM REQUISITES, &c., &c., &c.

Also

1 COTTAGE PIANO.

1 LADY'S and 1 GENT'S AMERICAN

BICYCLE.

3 VIOLINS in good order and condition.

1 HAMMOND TYPEWRITER.

Catalogues issued Prior to Sale.

TERMS of SALE—As customary.

On View at the Underigned's.

PAUL BREWITT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1899. [189a]

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ESTABLISHED 1841.

PORTS

(For Invalids and General Use.)

B.—VINTAGE, superior quality,

Red Capsule \$14.40

C.—FINE OLD VINTAGE, superior quality, Black

Seal Capsule 16.20

D.—VERY FINE OLD VINTAGE

extra superior, Violet

Capsule (Old Bottled) 20.40

Port after removal should be rested

for a month before use. Wine re-

quired for drinking at once should be

ordered to be decanted at the Dis-

pensary before being sent out.

These Wines are too favourably

known to need comment.

Sample bottles and smaller quanti-

ties will be supplied at proportionate

wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and

Spirits to be genuine when bought

direct from us in the Colony or from

our authorised Agents at the Coast

Ports.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited,

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

At Yokohama, on January 31st, OSCAR OTTO

KEIL, aged 58 years.

DEATH.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1899.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Reuter's Telegram which we publish

to-day does little more than serve to confirm

that which was kindly placed at our disposal

by the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank last

evening. We are told that the fighting at

Manila was severe and that it lasted for

fourteen hours, at the end of which time the

United States troops had carried two of the

Philippine positions and had advanced their

lines. This may or may not mean much.

We have no news as to how far the American

lines had been advanced or what positions

had been captured. It may mean that the

Americans have been enabled to push their

outposts over several miles and have captured

the principal posts of the Philippine army

surrounding Manila, or it may be that a

couple of unimportant outposts have been

rushed and the lines pushed forward a few

hundred yards.

The American loss of twenty killed and one

hundred and twenty-five wounded certainly

gives one the impression that the engage-

ment was a hot one, but here again the

nature of the ground and the positions oc-

cupied, by the belligerents have to be taken

into account. If the losses occurred in open

fighting then they cannot be considered to

be very large, but, if the Americans were

protected by entrenchments, then the loss is

certainly severe. From the wording of the

telegram it would seem that the Philippine loss

was greater than that of the Americans, but at

the same time it must be remembered that a

few dead and wounded men spread over a

battlefield make a large show, and until de-

finite news is received it is useless to try to

judge of the extent of the Philippine

casualties.

Since the above was written we have

received a special telegram from our own

correspondent which is published in another

column. From this it appears that the

American loss is probably much more than

was at first reported, as our correspondent

states it to be approximately seventy-five killed

and one hundred and fifty wounded, while the

Philippine loss is estimated to be between

four and five thousand. As the *Charleston*and *Alonadnock* took part in the engagement

it is probable that the Philippine attack was

delivered from the direction of Malate and

covered much the same ground as that of

the Americans at the taking of Manila.

That the defeat of the Philippines was a

crushing one is evident from the fact of

their having been driven back several miles

and their large list of casualties.

We are still at a loss to understand

the reason of the collision. It was certainly

greatly to the advantage of the Philippines to

postpone all show of open hostility until the

debate on the Peace Treaty in the United

TELEGRAMS.

(By Telegraph.)

Special to the "Hongkong Telegraph."

THE FIGHTING AT MANILA.

THE PHILIPPINO ATTACK.

MANILA, February 7th.

3.20 p.m.

On Saturday evening the Philippines attacked the American outposts and a general fight ensued, which raged fiercely until mid-day on Sunday.

THE AMERICANS VICTORIOUS.

The Philippines were disastrously defeated and were driven back several miles, finding it impossible to withstand the American charges.

THE FLEET OPEN FIRE.

The warship *Charleston* and *Alonadnock* shelled the Philippines, doing great execution.

KILLED AND WOUNDED.

The American loss is approximately seventy-five killed and one hundred and fifty wounded. The rebel loss is estimated at from four to five thousand.

Received at 4.05 p.m.

Published at 3.30 p.m.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE UNITED STATES AND THE PHILIPPINES.

LONDON, February 5th.

It is reported in New York that hostilities have commenced between the U.S. troops and the Philippines and that Manila has been attacked.

THE PEACE TREATY.

A Washington despatch states that the prospects of securing the requisite majority in the Senate, in favour of ratifying the treaty of peace between the United States and Spain, is small.

THE NEW CHINESE LOAN.

The issue price of the New Chinese 5% Sterling loan has been fixed at 97. The application list will close on the 7th instant.

THE PLAGUE IN MAURITIUS.

No fresh cases of plague have occurred at Port Louis since 25th January.

Later.

FIGHTING IN THE PHILIPPINES.

After fourteen hours severe fighting in Manila the United States troops have carried two of the Philippine positions and advanced their lines. The American loss was twenty killed and one hundred and twenty-five wounded. The Philippine loss was heavy.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:—On the 7th at 11.45 a.m. The barometer has fallen in the North, and remains almost steady in the South. Pressure is high over Central China, and low, apparently, in the extreme North. Gradients slight on the coast, rather steep with strong monsoon in the N. part of the China Sea.

FORECAST:—Light or moderate N. winds; fine.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended 5th February, are:—Europeans 204, Chinese 2,673, total 2,877.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherlands Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Poultry Guild \$40

Thank offering from patient 10

THE following football match will be played to-

morrow on the Military ground, V. R. C. to

Royal Engineers. Kick-off 4.30 o'clock. V. R. C.

team:—Brett, goal; Tuohy and Cameron, backs;

Gonsalves, Craig and Yule, halves; Seth, Hen-

derson, McWayne, Sutton and Rose, forwards.

DURING the week ended 4th February the

following cases of communicable disease were

reported in the colony:—One case of diphe-

theria, which terminated fatally; two cases of

enteric fever and one death; three cases of

small-pox, two of which were from H.M.S.

Undaunted and one from the city.

TO-MORROW afternoon on the Happy Valley

the Hongkong Football Club will play Kowloon

Kick-off at half-past four. The Club team will

be:—F. H. Kew, goal; A. S. Anton and H.

Pinckney, backs; H. Buck, C. T. Kew and W.

H. Howard, halves; A. R. Lowe, H. W.

Looker, J. F. Noble, H. C. B. Hancock and J.

D. Danby, forwards.

THE Post Office will be entirely closed on

Friday, the 11th inst. (Chinese New Year's

Day) and on Saturday, the 12th inst., except

from 7 to 11 a.m. The mail for Europe will be

closed at 10.30 a.m. Late letters from 10.40 to

11 a.m. The Night Box will be left open on

both days. The Money Order Office will be

entirely closed on both days.

Mr. Oscar Otto Keil, Secretary of the Yokohama

General Chamber of Commerce, de-

clared suicide on the 31st ult., by shooting

himself in the mouth. The deceased, who was

an American naturalized citizen, had for some

time been suffering from nervous prostration,

and the depressing effects of the climate to-

gether with want of rest, are believed to be the

cause of the rash act.

At the Magistrate's this morning Andrew

Hansen, Chief Rangassan, David McLeod,

and Young Lawrence, were on board the

Belem were charged with stealing a quantity

of clothing, one pair of boots, six tins of cocoa,

and four fish covers, the property of the owners

of the said ship, on the high seas. Defendants

signed on in London. Plaintiff stated that about

three or four days after leaving Singapore he

saw some lady's clothing in possession of the

first defendant, and he subsequently saw the

other articles mentioned in possession of

defendants. They were each sentenced to six

months' imprisonment with hard labour.

MR. LORENZO Snow, the newly-elected head

of the Mormons, is described as being one of

the most forceful characters "in that particu-

lar creed. He is now eighty-four years of age,

and is in perfect health, with all his faculties

unimpaired. His portrait represents a man

with clear cut features, a long pointed white

beard, a flowing moustache, abundant hair,

parted on the left and right sides, the centre

brushed into a "topknot" like that which

was fashionable some forty years ago, and

altogether suggesting a man a quarter of a cen-

tury younger than he really is. As a missionary

on behalf of the Mormons, he has travelled

all over the United States, and has also been

abroad. Snow has had some experience as a

practical polygamist. As one of the twelve

apostles of the church he was convicted and

The Chinese officials in Anhui are now busy in trying to organize a transport and commissariat service for the projected operations in that province and the manager of the big *Hsin* station at Wei-pei has been very appropriately appointed to take charge of this department. If there is anything to fear this is just the sort of Chinese official to make the most of his opportunities.

Altogether the outlook is very serious for the Central Government, which has to cope with 20,000 or 30,000 armed and desperate men in the provinces named and has no facilities for moving even such miserable fighting forces as it possesses. When it does occasionally get them within sight of the Rebels they are either invariably beaten or as certainly skiddled to the Rebel side. — *China Gazette*.

NORTHERN NOTES.

(From Our Exchanges.)

PORT ARTIFICER.

The Russians at Port Arthur are urging Chinese to come and live there, and are offering 240 cash per day to labourers who will settle there with their families.

HONOURS FOR LU HAI-HUAN.

An Imperial edict of the 25th ult. grants to H.E. Lu Hai-huan, Chinese Minister to Germany, the additional rank of Chief Director of the Court of the Imperial Sacrificial Worship.

ROBBERY AT PEKING.

During a marriage procession in Peking several women were attacked by a band of armed robbers, who dragged them from their chairs, and tore off their clothing and jewels. The men in the procession not being armed made no effort to protect the women.

NANPAO COAL.

It is stated that the extensive coal-field at Nanpao, tapped by the railway between Shanghai and a New Wharf, is to be worked by the British and Chinese Corporation.

RUSSIAN ACTIVITY.

It is reported in local mandarin circles at Shanghai, that the Russian fleet has recently taken possession of an island, near Chefoo, called Miao Tao, and that this act, has already been protested against by the British authorities.

LAUNCH OF A STEAMER.

The steamer *Yungchow*, constructed at Shanghai for the Chinese Eastern Railway Co., was successfully launched at the yard of the builders, Boyd & Co., Ltd., on the 31st ult.

REINFORCEMENTS FOR KUANG.

Nanking dispatches state that the rebellion in North Anhui is apparently very serious as Viceroy Liu is sending considerable reinforcements to the 2,000 already on the scene of operations at Kuang, and is further bringing up four or five battalions hitherto stationed near Chinkiang.

THE "IPHIGENIA" IN COLLISION.

At ten o'clock on the morning of the 31st ult., a large junk working down river at Shanghai on the chubun ran into the port quarter of I.M.S. *Iphegenia*, doing considerable damage, including the smashing of a quarter board and bending of the davits, etc. A hawser was promptly passed to the junk and prevented it falling across the bows of the *Phenix*.

DISTURBANCES IN SHANTUNG.

Reports from Shantung state that in several of the counties armed parties of the natives are robbing and killing all over the country. The officials seem powerless, notwithstanding the fact that some cavalry have been sent to their aid. The natives seem to be specially directed against the Germans at Ichouan.

DIRECTOR LIU'S TRIAL.

A telegram received at Shanghai from Peking states that the Empress Dowager has appointed the Grand Secretary and Generalissimo Jung Lu to investigate the charges of embezzlement against Director-General Hu Yu-fen, and that the former is expected to leave for Tientsin for the purpose immediately. H.E. Hu is staying in a temple pending the result of the above investigation.

MILITARY CLASSES.

Viceroy Liu of Nanking has recently ordered the institution of special classes in modern military tactics for the benefit of the younger and more promising officers holding commissions in the Viceroyal army. These special classes will be held at the Nanking Military College and already some sixty young officers are said to have enrolled their names as special students, the anxiety to obtain instruction being very noticeable amongst all ranks of officers at Nanking.

ANOTHER FIRE.

A fire occurred on the morning of the 1st inst. at 4 o'clock in an alleyway off the Rue de Ballo, Shanghai, it originated in a bathroom, the occupants of the house having gone to sleep leaving a large fire burning. Notwithstanding the efforts of the fire brigade three dwellings were destroyed. By 6 o'clock however the flames were extinguished. The property is said to be insured in several English Companies.

LI RETURNS TO POWER.

A Tientsin despatch to the *Universal Gazette* states that Li Hung-chang has received a decree ordering him to return to Peking with speed. The cause of Li's recall is not certainly known. He was expected to arrive at Tientsin a few days ago.

HYDROPHOBIA AT SHANGHAI.

We (*Shanghai Daily Press*) are informed by a well-known resident that there is quite an epidemic of hydrophobia in a village off the Bubbling Well Road, and that, in consequence, an order has been issued to destroy all the dogs in that particular neighbourhood. It is also reported that there is a large black dog in the vicinity of the Seward Road, which attacks passers-by.

DISTURBANCES IN KIANGYIN.

The *Universal Gazette* says that a week or so ago the Governor of Soochow received an urgent report from the Kiangyin Magistrate saying that in the villages along the river bank in secret convulsion men have been assembling together and fomenting a rebellion. On the 26th ult. the Governor secretly ordered Lieutenant Colonel Wang and Sub-lieutenant Liu with forty soldiers to proceed to the disaffected villages and they arrested three of the leaders, who were tried immediately by the Soochow Prefect but notwithstanding they were tortured they could not be made to confess.

THE YELLOW RIVER.

A Peking dispatch states that H.E. Li Hung-chang who has recently been busy occupied in determining and preparing for the conservation of the Yellow River works in Shantung province, has been lately ordered by Imperial edict of the Empress Dowager to return post haste to Peking, and was expected to reach the capital yesterday. It is stated that this has been due to the uncertainty of Foreign and Palace politics at present and the Empress Dowager appears to wish to have her old adviser by her side when occasion arises. The post vacated by H.E. Li will probably be given to H.E. Hsu Ching-yi, Ex-Governor of Kuangtung, who was formerly Director-General of the Yellow River, and is supposed to know something of river conservancy.

THE ANHUI REBELLION.

The following telegram dated 29th January from Luchow, Anhui, is published in the *Universal Gazette*. "It is stated that Niu Shih-shin, the most important chief of the Kuangyin

rebels, has been captured by the Imperial troops, and that in consequence, the region round about Kuangyin is being restored to order. On the other hand, however, we learn from a telegram of a later date to the local mandarins from Nanking and Nanking that the Kuangyin rebels have marched across the Anhui borders into Honan and joined forces with the rebels of the latter province who number quite 10,000 fighting men. They have, it is stated, also been joined by Shantung rebels and together make a most formidable army to crush. Nearly all the Kuangyin rebels are armed with muskets obtained from raiding city magazines and those abandoned by the defeated soldiery; but having in sufficient ammunition they are not expected to be very formidable with them unless supplied in Honan.

AFFRAY AT TIENTSIN.

A somewhat serious affray seems to have occurred in the Extra-Concession at Tientsin recently. It appears that the German Land Investment Company have employed some Chinese policemen to look after certain of their houses. The Yamen runners who make a considerable sum out of houses, etc., have accordingly failed to derive any benefit from these particular establishments. They therefore reported to the Tientsin Magistrate that certain thieves were taking shelter in these houses, but that in order to seize them it would be necessary for the Magistrate to go in person. The Magistrate accordingly made a raid upon the place with some sixty men, and seized the unfortunate policemen who had no warning of what was coming. Two or three of them were nearly beaten to death, and locked up in the Yamen, chained up in a cruel manner. One story has it that the Magistrate's chair was smashed to pieces by those who went to the policemen's assistance, and that the number of girls have been stolen from the premises and will not be restored until certain moneys are paid. As the policemen had uniforms on and were in foreign employ, the Magistrate had of course no manner of right to force his way into the premises, and should have taken the ordinary course of appealing to the German Consul.

SOOCHOW QUEER STORY.

A curious story comes from Soochow which on the face of it so closely resembles extortion that the difference is hard to be discerned by one's eyes. A couple of foreign residents of Shanghai, conversed to the fact of China in a well furnished houseboat at the wharf anchored under the city walls. They then sent their cards to a wealthy Chinese resident, one as well known to Shanghai as in Soochow, and begged him to go to their boat as they had a most important matter to communicate. The Chinaman very properly hesitated, reasoning that the persons whose names were on the cards could not possibly have anything to do with him in anyway, and further, that if the two gentlemen were so anxious to see him they could very well call upon him at his residence. Finding that he would not come, the application was made to the magistrate to command the merchant to visit the houseboat and the official advised him to do so, and, apparently suspecting nothing, said in effect to the merchant: "You had better go and see what it is." "Why should I?" he replied, and very reasonably too. So after waiting another day the foreigners left for Shanghai. There are other circumstances in connection with the affair which lead to the conclusion that there is something "fishy" in the incident. Anyway one of the foreigners is about to explain his conduct to his Consul.

CLIPPINGS FROM HOME PAPERS.

DREYFUS. A telegram from Cayenne reports that Captain Dreyfus is seriously ill with dysentery.

A HURSTING RIFLE.

The experimental 8-inch cast steel rifle, for which the United States Congress appropriated the sum of \$40,000, burst on the Sandy Hook proving grounds under the normal firing pressure of 36,500 lb. on the fifteenth firing. There was no casualty.

FASHIONABLE MARRIAGE.

The marriage of Mr. T. O. Jameson, Engineer R.N., son of the late Mr. Jameson, of Portsmouth, and Beatrice, eldest daughter of Mr. John Young Mayston, Inspector of Machinery, R.N., of Hongkong Dockyard, took place at St. Simon's Church, Southsea, in the presence of a large congregation of friends on 3rd ult.

MR. HEATON AND THE QUEEN.

A silver penny has been accepted by the Queen from Mr. Henniker Heaton, M.P., as an offering from a subject who has peculiar cause for rejoicing that Her Majesty has lived to witness the founding and completion of the grand work of cheapening and facilitating the postal communication of the Empire.

THE TSAR'S PEACE PROPOSAL.

The view of the forthcoming Peace Conference, the Tsar, an Odessa correspondent learns, is busily engaged with his Ministers in formulating a series of definite proposals, which are to be submitted to the delegates of the Powers. His Majesty is stated to be greatly encouraged by the support accorded to his action in England.

THE EMPEROR MENELEK.

The latest news of the Emperor Menelek touches his interest in surgical operations. In the hospital at Addis Abeba attached to the Russian Mission he is continually watching the surgeons at their work. Their skill often calls forth from him expressions of admiration. His great desire is to act the part of an assistant in being performed. He never misses an operation.

THE QUEEN'S HORROR OF WAR.

A French paper relates, on the authority of a personage of the suite of the Empress Eugenie that on the eve of her recent departure from England for France, just at the time of the Fashoda incident, the Empress went to bid good-bye to the Queen. At the moment of parting, Queen Victoria said to her, "I war must break out between England and France I pray God that He will let me die first."

PENNY POSTAGE.

If the first mails be any criterion, the introduction of Imperial Penny Post is going to be a great success. The increase in the mail to East India, Hongkong, and Straits Settlements, despatched on 30th ult., amounted to 30 per cent. of the increase in the mail to Canada and New York, despatched on 28th and 31st December was no less than 50 per cent. and the increase in the West India mail, despatched on 28th, amounted to 30 per cent.

QUEEN WILHELMINA.

The young Queen of Holland is already showing signs of the independence of character which her mother and instructors have observed in her. Since her accession she has steadily shown initiative in affairs of State. One feminine touch may be interesting to our readers. She has recently cancelled two designs for a new coinage, on the ground that her own likeness was in one case too old, and in the other too young.

SUCCESSOR TO JUSTICE HAWKINS.

Her Majesty has been pleased to approve of the name of Mr. Thomas Townsend Bucknill, Q.C., to be a Judge of the High Court in the room of Sir Henry Hawkins, resigned. Mr. Bucknill is one of the ablest of Conservative lawyers and has a large practice. He is a native of Warwickshire, is fifty-three years of age, and has been at the Bar for twenty years. Mr. Bucknill has represented the Epsom Division of Surrey since 1891, and his proposition

thus causes a vacancy in the House of Commons.

THE QUEEN'S VISIT TO FRANCE.

It is stated that the French Government has received positive information concerning the stay of the Queen in the South of France. Her Majesty will, it says, land at Cherbourg on the morning of March 9, and will leave that town immediately by special train for Nice, *via* Paris. The President will, in the afternoon of March 9, meet the Queen at one of the junctions in the neighbourhood of the French capital. After receiving the visit of M. Faure, Her Majesty will continue her journey southward to Nice.

GOLD IN SIBERIA.

A Samara newspaper states that a rich vein of gold has just been discovered right under the Siberian railway track near the station of Chelabinsk by a party of gold seekers who traced it from a neighbouring property, and a strong guard of armed men has had to be placed on the spot to prevent them from digging under the rails. The question has been submitted to the authorities, as to the advisability of moving the line to some little distance. Meanwhile, it is said that a French company has already offered a large sum of money for the land.

FRENCH INDO-CHINA.

The *Echo de Paris* says:—A battalion of marine infantry is being formed at Tong-King, and will be employed in the defence of Port Courbet, which has become the naval headquarters for Tong-King and Annam since the project of forming such a base at Haiphong was attended by serious difficulties from the military standpoint.

The Minister for the Colonies has signed the decree authorising the issue of the first 10,000,000 of the loan for the Indo-Chinese railways. The interest will be paid on the authorisation of the Governor-General or his duly constituted delegate.

WHO WILL BE U.S. PRESIDENT?

The Presidential election for next year is a dominant topic. Parties are already arranging themselves. Colonel Roosevelt is spoken of on the Republican side as a Presidential candidate; but that President McKinley will ultimately be put forward for second term is more probable. There is no shadow of a doubt as to the President's abounding popularity. The Democratic candidate will be Mr. W. J. Bryan. Admiral Dewey's name is again mentioned by the Democrats, without his sanction. The Republican platform is Expansion and Currency Reform; the Democrats', Silver and Anti-Expansion.

KIAO-CHOW.

A memorandum laid before the Reichstag on the subject of the development of Kiao-chow, declares that the economic point of view occupied the foremost place in all the measures taken by the Imperial Administration in the new Protectorate. Without prejudicing its military and maritime importance as a naval station, it is essential for the future of Kiao-chow that its development as a mercantile colony and as an important point of departure for German merchants in Eastern Asia, for the opening up of the remote hinterland, should stand in the front rank. The memorandum deals at length with all the points to which the Administration have devoted their attention—such as ownership of land, trade, industry, means of communication, and justice.

HAVANA.

At Havana, on 4th ult., the Spanish flag was hoisted down and replaced by the Stars and Stripes. According to the arrangements made regarding the form of the transfer of sovereignty, there was to be a simple exchange of speeches in a saloon of the Palace, and the Spanish flag on the roof was hoisted down the American flag being hoisted in its stead. Salutes were fired by the forts and warships before and after the ceremony. The roofs of the buildings in the vicinity of the Palace were crowded by people and officers were raised as the change of flag was effected. General Castellanos, when he bade farewell to the officers, said, with tears in his eyes: "Men, I have been in more battles than I have hairs on my head, and my valour has never failed except to-day. Good-bye, good-bye!"

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

Hungary is now being administered by Imperial decree, and Maurice Jokai, the famous novelist, has issued an address to the people, urging them to rally round the Government. Hence the strange sight has been witnessed of crowds flocking to the tax offices to pay their taxes in advance, though the Opposition are urging their followers to give up smoking and drinking in order to decrease the revenue and so embarrass the Government. Baron Banffy's duel with M. Hornsky took place at Budapest. Neither combatant was wounded. Contrary to custom, no reconciliation took place. The Chamber of Deputies has assembled. The situation has not improved. The Opposition declare their intention of making the transaction of business impossible while Baron Banffy remains in office.

SCOTLAND AND IRELAND.

The year 1898 has been a prosperous and quiet one in Scotland, unmarked by any sensational or even outstanding event in either the political or the social world. Trade has been unprecedentedly good throughout, and promises high level during 1899. The problem of the unemployed has not cropped up, and one made dispute has been prolonged to an extent that bespeaks quite remarkable financial resource in both the capital and the labour concerned. Clyde shipbuilding is a fair index to the state of business in this country. For the year now closed the output has surpassed that of the best of previous years by many thousands of tons, and the work in hand—upwards of 500,000 tons—is considerably in excess of the total production of 1898. In Ireland events have also been quiet and no very remarkable incidents stand out in reviewing the year.

AN AMERICAN PALACE.

One of the most important social events of the present year will be the opening of the new mansion of Mr. William C. Whitney, the well-known millionaire, recently erected in Fifth Avenue. No other residence in America—few indeed, in the world—rival it in point of magnificence; the painted ceilings alone cost £10,000. The gorgeous drawing-room will contain famous antique tapestries formerly hung in the Louvre, for which Mr. Whitney paid £200,000. A regal suite of rooms has been arranged for Mrs. Whitney, who is an invalid. The furniture, made in France, has cost £10,000. The bath-room is built of the finest Cornish marble, relieved by onyx and other rare stones. The bath is cut from a single block, and the floor is composed of rare mosaics. The bath taps and other metal work are made of pure gold of unique design. All the other fittings of the house are on the same sumptuous scale.

THE POSTIVISTS.

Mr. F. Harrison, delivering his customary New Year address to the members of the Positivist Society, referred to the important changes which the past year had witnessed in the relations of States and the attitudes of Governments. The appeal of the Year to the nations of the West to meet in congress for the purpose of stemming the tide of advancing militarism was a great act. If the Year could teach the world how to cast out the seven devils of national vainglory and Imperial expansion, and the passion for robbing and crowding over their neighbours, he might do something real; but if not, he would show some more how vain were the best intentions of

rulers to cure the moral diseases of men. Mr. Harrison described our occupation of Egypt as the source and centre of our antagonism to France, and a dangerous weakness to the Empire. On internal politics there was nothing to say, because they had come to an end. Imperial expansion meant domestic stagnation. It swallowed up the energies of Liberalism, and barred progress for glory.

GERMANY AND AUSTRIA.

BERLIN, December, 28th.

The declarations of the official organ of the Austrian Government regarding the speech of Count Thun on the expulsion of Austrian subjects from Germany are now made the subject of comment by the *Cologne Gazette*. The *Rhenish Journal* says:—

"These official declarations will be received with satisfaction in Germany. They come somewhat late in the day, but still in time to dispel the feeling created in wide political circles by the singular and apparently inexplicable attitude of the Austrian Prime-Minister. In the German Press there was only a slight manifestation of this feeling, because complete confidence in the loyalty and friendship of the Emperor Francis Joseph was entertained and because the circumstance was taken into consideration that the jubilee of his Imperial Majesty's accession was being celebrated. But official declarations regarding the import of Count Thun's speech were urgently desired, and the longer they were deferred the greater the uneasiness became. It is not our business to inquire whether this official announcement proceeds from Count Thun himself or from that authoritative quarter in Austria which is undoubtedly friendly to the Triple Alliance. We may confine ourselves to expressing our satisfaction that the explanation of the words of Count Thun furnished by the Vienna *Abendpost* is calculated to remove all grounds for the feeling to which we have referred." — *Times*.

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

FEBRUARY.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1897.

Barometer 30.141
Thermometer 57.3
Humidity 79.5
Rainfall 1.76

TO-DAY.
WEATHER REPORT.
On date at 10.25 On date at 3.30
Barometer 30.34 30.21
Thermometer 62 62
Humidity 45 38
Rainfall — —

TO-DAY.
Tuesday, 7th February, 1899.
Chinese—27th of 12th moon of 25th year of Kwang-shu.

Sun—Rises 6hr. 29min.
Sets 5hr. 35min.
High water—Morning 6hr. 20min.
Afternoon 5hr. 55min.
Low water—Morning 1hr. 5min.
Afternoon 10hr. 45min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1812—Charles Dickens born.
1843—The *Celestial*, the first Hongkong built vessel launched.
1856—Annexation of Oude.
1868—The *Theresa* taken by coolies 62 days after her departure, the officers and crew killed.
1878—Plus IX died.
1894—The s.s. *St. Asaph* sunk by the s.s. *Hungchow* off Brest Point; all hands lost.
1897—Disturbances in Crete became serious.
1898—Great fire at Manila, estimated loss \$2,000,000.

TO-MORROW.

Wednesday, 8th February, 1899.
Chinese—28th of 12th moon of 25th year of Kwang-shu.

Sun—Rises 7hr. 20min.
Sets 4hr. 57min.
High water—Morning 5hr. 35min.
Afternoon 7hr. 35min.
Low water—Morning 1hr. 52min.
Afternoon 10hr. 12min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1626—The Spanish fleet left the port of Cavite, by order of the Governor of Manila, for the purpose of taking Formosa.
1819—John Ruskin born.
1849—Roman Republic proclaimed.
1868—Great fire at Foochow.
1872—Assassination of Lord Mayo, Viceroy of India.
1899—Russo-Turkish Treaty signed.
1890—Great fire at Yokohama, Japan. Collision at Kobe between the steamers *Febrilade* and *Mutsu Maru*.
1897—The *Rurik* docked at Hungchow; largest vessel docked in Hongkong.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

German (*Sachsen*) to-morrow.
Indian (*Koh-i-nur*) 11th inst.
American (*Doric*) 15th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of Japan*) 21st inst.
American (*Nippon Maru*) 22nd inst.
American (*City of Rio de Janeiro*) 2nd prox.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Formosa*, left Singapore for this port yesterday afternoon, the 6th inst.

The N. P. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Lennox*, sailed from Yokohama for Kobe and Hongkong on the 4th inst.

We are informed by the Agents of the Austrian Lloyd's S. N. Co.'s steamer *Trieste*, left Singapore for this port this afternoon, the 7th inst.

We are informed by the Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Calypso*, with the next French Mail, will leave Singapore *via* Saigon for this port at 5 p.m. to-day, the 7th inst.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK, RETURNS.

H.I.G.M.S. *Kater*, at Kowloon Dock.
H.I.G.M.S. *K. A. A.* " "
Athena " " "
Ila de Cuba " " "
Ila de Lunon " " "
Nonmouthshire " " "
Bethdale " " "
St. Enock " " "
Columbia " " "
Eud " " "
H.I.G.M.S. *P. Whelm* " " "
D. Juan d'Austria " " "
Daphne " " "
Loyal " " "
China " " "
Chilgung " " "
Lymington " " "
Aberdeen " " "

PASSED THE CANAL.
Outward—Jan. 3rd *Trieste*, *Servia*; Jan. 6th *Glenarary*, *Norfolk*; Jan. 10th *St. Andrew*, *Eolus*; Jan. 13th *Liv. Haiching*, *Hansa*, *Huron*; Jan. 17th *Benarig*, *Formosa*; Jan. 20th *Caledonia*, *Kontigberg*; Jan. 27th *Canton*, *Troll*; Jan. 31st *Oceanic*; Feb. 3rd *Chingow*, *Ingravallo*, *Prometheus*, *Anapa*.

Homeward—Feb. 3rd *Heidelberg*.

CONSUMPTION, Wasting Diseases, and General Debility. Doctors disagree as to the relative value of Cod Liver Oil and Hypophosphites; the one supplying strength and flesh—the others giving nerve power and acting as a tonic to the digestion and entire system. But in Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites the two are combined, and the effect is wonderful. Thousands who have derived no permanent benefit from other preparations have been cured by this. Scott's Emulsion is perfectly palatable, and is easily digested even by those who cannot tolerate plain Cod Liver Oil. Any Chemist can supply it. Sole Agents for Hongkong and the Empire of China—Watkins & Co., Hongkong.—*Addit.*

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., *ex S.S. Britannia*.
From Australia, *ex S.S. Aradina*.
From Calcutta, *ex S.S. Masilia*.
From Persian Gulf, *ex S.S. Kitha* and *Assyria*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 10th instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1899. [1-w 5]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"CHINA."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1899. [1-w 1]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "VICTORIA," FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND SHANGHAI.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1899. [4]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENARRARY."

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her, are hereby informed that their goods, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-MORROW.

Intimations.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
FUTAMI MARU.....	NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 10th February, at 4 P.M.
R. J. C. Todd	YOKOHAMA	THURSDAY, 16th February, at 4 P.M.
MIKE MARU.....	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	THURSDAY, 16th February, at 4 P.M.
S. Kawamura.	MARSHALLS, LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	THURSDAY, 16th February, at 4 P.M.
TOSA MARU.....	SHANGHAI, CHEMULPO and NAGASAKI	FRIDAY, 17th February, at 4 P.M.
SAGAMI MARU.....	SINGAPORE, COLOMBO and BOMBAY	TUESDAY, 21st February, at Noon.
J. Nagao	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	FRIDAY, 24th February, at 4 P.M.
KAGOSHIMA MARU.....		
R. Nunome		
KASUGA MARU.....		
E. W. Haswell		

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A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1899.

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FEVER, RHEUMATISM AND NEURALGIC AFFECTIONS.
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Used in Gonorrhoea in 1 to 2 per cent. solutions possesses similar bactericidal action to silver nitrate, but is distinguished by complete absence of irritating properties.
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Onoda Cement Company, Japan.
Kanaguchi Cotton Spinning Mill, Japan.
The Mitsui Cotton Spinning Mill, Limited.
Tokyo Cotton Spinning Mill, Japan.
Hayashi Clock Factory.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1896. [45]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship
"INDRANI,"
Captain Trotter, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 14th instant, at Noon.
For Freight, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1899. [152]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA.
THE Company's Steamship
"CHINGTU,"
Captain Moore, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 23rd instant, at Noon.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines.
A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.
For Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1899. [181a]

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.
FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship
"SIKH,"
will be despatched as above on or about the 24th instant.
S.S. "ARVILL".....About 11th Mar., 1899.
S.S. "MACDUFF".....31st Mar., 1899.
S.S. "GHAZEE".....15th April, 1899.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1899. [152]

FOR NEW YORK (DIRECT).
THE Steamship
"KENMORE,"
Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the end of February.
For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1899. [102]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.
THE Company's Steamship
"ONSANG,"
Captain Young, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1899. [175a]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA.
THE Company's Steamship
"SUNGKIANG,"
Captain Dodd, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 9th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1899. [185a]

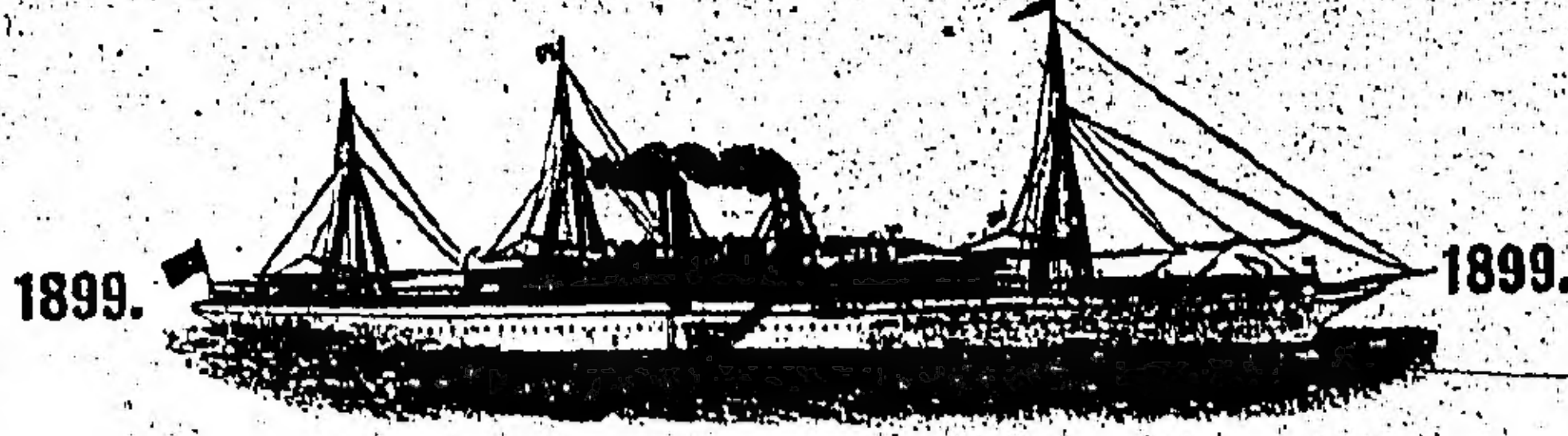
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
NOTICE.
STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.
(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
THE Company's Steamship
"HOHENZOLLERN,"
Captain E. Woldendorff, will leave for the above Ports on about THURSDAY, the 9th instant.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1899. [154a]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
NOTICE.
STEAM TO SHANGHAI.
THE Company's Steamship
"SACHSEN,"
Captain H. Süpmer, due here with the outward German Mail about the 8th instant will leave for the above places about 24 hours after arrival.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1899. [154a]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, FUME AND TRIESTE.
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THE Company's Steamship
"GISELA,"
Captain T. Moser, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 13th instant, P.M.
Silk and Valuable are transhipped on arrival at Bombay into an accelerated liner.
For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1899. [179a]

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 15th Feb., 1899.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 15th Mar., 1899.
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 5th April, 1899.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

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Hongkong, 16th January, 1899.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) To-morrow, 8th Feb., at Noon.

NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Saturday, 4th March, at Noon.

AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Thursday, 30th March, at Noon.

THE Steamship
"HONGKONG MARU,"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, TO-MORROW, the 8th February, at NOON, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1899. [1510]

EYE-SIGHT.

MR. N. LAZARUS, Oculist-Optician, of London and Calcutta, may be consulted for SPECTACLES at FLETCHER & Co.'s PHARMACY, (Opposite the HONGKONG HOTEL).
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Hongkong, 4th February, 1899. [1513]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
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"QUEEN MARGARET,"
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For Freight apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1899. [1153]

Mails.

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HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.

(East Asiatic Service.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
*SARNIA.....	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN. (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	About 15th February. Freight and Passage.
SILESIA.....	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN. (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	About 10th March. Freight and Passage.
SUEVIA.....	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN. (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	About 20th March. Freight.
FOERCK.....	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN. (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	About 31st March. Freight.
WITTENBERG.....	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN. (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	About 1st April. Freight.
Madsen		

* These Steamers have Superior Accommodation for Passengers and carry a Doctor and a Stewardess.
Calling at NAPLES for Passengers only, if sufficient inducement offers.
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CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1899.

U.S. MAIL LINE. PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Amoy, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Thursday, 16th Feb., at Noon.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Tuesday, 14th March, at Noon.

City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Saturday, 8th April, at Noon.

THE U.S. Mail Steamship
"CHINA,"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via AMOY, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 16th February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1899. [12]

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS.

ALSO
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON.
TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.
N.B. CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION):
Sachsen (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Wednesday 1st March.
Bayern (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Wednesday 23rd March.
Prinz Heinrich (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Wednesday 25th April.
Preussen (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Wednesday 24th May.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 1st day of March, 1899, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Süpmer, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, & CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on MONDAY, the 27th instant. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 28th instant, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on THURSDAY, the 29th instant. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be issued for less than \$250 and Parcels should not exceed 200 Cubic Feet in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Luggage can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.
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